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BEFORE THE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL NURSING AND PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIANS DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

MARCUS JOHNSON MASSANGALE 36282 Bayhill Drive Beaumont, CA 92223

Psychiatric Technician License No. PT 28207

Complainant alleges:

Respondent.

Case No. PT-2011-3883

ACCUSATION

### **PARTIES**

- 1. Teresa Bello-Jones, J.D., M.S.N., R.N. (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians, Department of Consumer Affairs.
- 2. On or about August 5, 1992, the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians issued Psychiatric Technician License Number PT 28207 to Marcus Johnson
- Massangale (Respondent). The Psychiatric Technician License was in full force and effect at all
- 25 times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on May 31, 2014, unless renewed.

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### **JURISDICTION**

- 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
- 4. Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides that the suspension, expiration, surrender and/or cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.
  - 5. Section 4521 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

related to the duties and functions of the licensee."

"The board may suspend or revoke a license issued under this chapter [the Psychiatric Technicians Law (Bus. & Prof Code, 4500, et seq.)] for any of the following reasons:

"(n) The commission of any act involving dishonesty, when that action is substantially

# **COST RECOVERY**

6. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that a Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

## FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

#### (Dishonest Acts)

- 7. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4521, subdivision (n), in that Respondent engaged in dishonest acts substantially related to the duties and functions of a psychiatric technician. The circumstances are as follows:
- a. From January 2008 through April 2011, while employed as a psychiatric technician at Patton State Hospital (PSH) in Patton, California, Respondent conspired with PSH personnel services specialist Jose Romero to steal more than \$204,000.00 from the State of California by

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fraudulently claiming, receiving and accepting wages from the state for hours that he had not actually worked.

b. Specifically, Respondent conspired with Romero to submit false information to the State Controller's Office which indicated that Respondent was working a full-time schedule and exorbitant amounts of overtime at PSH when, in fact, Respondent worked few regular hours each month and little to no overtime. As a result of these fraudulent activities, Respondent was routinely issued paychecks which grossly overstated the amount owed to him by the state. Respondent deposited each of those checks into his credit union account, later withdrawing substantial portions of the stolen income to share with Romero. Romero admitted his involvement in the conspiracy with Respondent when questioned by officers of the Patton State Hospital Police Department.

## **DISCIPLINARY CONSIDERATIONS**

8. To determine the degree of discipline, if any, to be imposed on Respondent, Complainant alleges that on or about January 26, 2001, in the criminal matter entitled *The People* of the State of California v. Marcus Antonius Johnson (Super. Ct. San Bernardino County, 2001, No. MSB053530) Respondent was convicted of one misdemeanor count of violating Penal Code section 273.5(a) [corporal injury to a spouse]. Respondent sentenced to thirty (30) days in jail, placed on probation for a period of three (3) years and ordered to complete a 52-week Batterers' Treatment Program.

#### **PRAYER**

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians issue a decision:

Revoking or suspending Psychiatric Technician License Number PT 28207, issued to Marcus Johnson Massangale;

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